Central Administrative Tribunals

3170. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA:

SHRI YALLA SESIBHUSHANA RAO:

SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR REHMAN:

SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of and the places where a Central Administrative Tribunals have been established so far;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court has recently directed that a Central Administrative Tribunal must be established at all the places where a High Court exists; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The Central Administrative Tribunal has been set up with 15 Benches at Delhi, New Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Allahabad, Bangalore, Chandigarh, Guwahati, Ahmedabad, Cuttack, Jodhpur, Jabalpur, Hyderabad, Patna and Ernakulam.

(b) and (c) As per directions of the Supreme Court that a regular or circuit bench of the CAT be set up at all places where there are benches of High Courts, regular benches have been set up at the places mentioned above. At other places, circuit sittings of the Central Administrative Tribunal are held.

Outdated Medicines Lying in the General Medical Store at Karnal

3171. SHRI P.N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to recent reports that about 1.5 crore rupees worth of outdated medicines have been lying dumped in the General Medical Store at Karnal;

(b) whether any such outdated medicines were supplied to the hospitals in the recent past;

(c) if so, whether the necessary investigations were made into the matter ; and

(d) the steps being taken to destroy stocks of the outdated medicines?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. Government's attention has been drawn to such reports which however are not factually correct.

(b) and (c) One outdated medicine namely Phthalsulphathiozole tablet date of manufacture 4/83 was supplied to Jammu & Kashmir by mistake. Action against the erring official has already been taken.